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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - AUSTRALIAN USER CHARGES

REF: (A) STATE 121186, (B) CANBERRA 3635

1. TAPLIN TELEPHONES MAY 21 TO REPORT THAT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT (DOT) "STILL WORKING ON" FIXED FLIGHT FACTOR QUESTION AND THAT "SOME KIND OF CHANGE" WOULD BE PROPOSED. HE RATHER APOLOGETICALLY AVOIDED GIVING SPECIFICS, HOWEVER, ON GROUNDS THAT CHANGE WAS PART OF TOTAL "COST RECOVERY" PACKAGE UNDER CONSIDERATION IN CONNECTION WITH EXTENSIVE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS UNDER WAY AND WOULD REQUIRE MINISTERIAL APPROVAL.

2. ON PROMPTING BY EMBOFF, TAPLIN ACKNOWLEDGED INFORMAL UNDERTAKING DURING FEBRUARY TALKS TO PROVIDE MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION AT ABOUT THIS TIME. HE AGREED TO GO BACK TO HIS CIVIL AVIATION PEOPLE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND TO PASS THESE ALONG TO US WITHIN THE WEEK.

3. COMMENT: EMBOFF GAINED IMPRESSION THAT TAPLIN EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS IN ASSERTING CANBERRA CONTROL OVER CIVIL AVIATION APPARATUS STILL PHYSICALLY LOCATED IN MELBOURNE. HE MAY, THEREFORE, BE HAVING DIFFICULTY IN ASCERTAINING PRECISE STATUS THIS MATTER. WE WILL PRESS FOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DETAILS PROMISED AT END OF WEEK AND REPORT. END COMMENT.

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